

What is claimed is:

1. A filled thermoplastic resin composite comprising at least one thermoplastic olefin, maleic anhydride, and glass bubbles.

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2. The composite of claim 1 wherein said glass bubbles have been treated with at least one of a silane coupling agent or titanate coupling agent.

3. The composite of claim 2 wherein said silane coupling agent is an aminosilane.

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4. The composite of claim 3 wherein said silane coupling agent is selected from aminopropyltriethoxysilane and N-2-(aminoethyl)-3-amino propyltrimethoxysilane.

5. The composite of claim 1 wherein said glass bubbles exhibit a crush strength of at least 3,000 PSI.

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6. The composite of claim 1 wherein said glass bubbles exhibit a crush strength of at least 18,000 PSI.

7. The composite of claim 1 wherein said thermoplastic olefin is selected from the group consisting of polypropylene, polyethylene, polybutylene, polystyrene, and copolymers thereof.

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8. An article comprising the composite of claim 1.

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